

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

Claims 1-38 (Canceled).

Claim ~~39~~ (Currently Amended): An information record medium comprising:

an audio information recording area on which a plurality of audio information are recorded; and

a control information recording area on which control information to reproduce the audio information is recorded,

wherein the control information includes first division information for identifying a first division unit,

second division information for identifying a plurality of second division units by dividing a plurality of audio information as a reproduction unit, and

management information for correlating the first division unit and the plurality of second division units with each other so that the plurality of second division units are associated with the first division unit,

wherein the plurality of second division units comprise at least a first type of second division unit which has audio information associated with a first recording method and a second type of second division unit which has audio information associated with a second recording method, and the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit include the same content, and the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit are each contiguously recorded on the information record medium, and

wherein the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit are recorded at different positions on the audio information recording area.

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Claim ~~40~~ (Previously Presented): An information recording medium according to Claim

~~39~~, wherein the management information is provided for each of the second division units.

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Claim ~~41~~ (Previously Presented): An information recording medium according to Claim

~~39~~, wherein the management information includes information which indicates a combination of recording methods.

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Claim ~~42~~ (Previously Presented): An information recording medium according to Claim

~~39~~, wherein the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit have equal reproduction times.

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Claim ~~43~~ (Currently Amended): An information reproduction apparatus for reproducing

an information record medium comprising: an audio information recording area on which a plurality of audio information are recorded; and a control information recording area on which control information to reproduce the audio information is recorded, wherein the control information includes first division information for identifying a first division unit, second division information for identifying a plurality of second division units by dividing a plurality of audio information as a reproduction unit, and management information for correlating the first division unit and the plurality of second division units with each other so that the plurality of second division units are associated with the first division unit, wherein the plurality of second division units comprise at least a first type of second division unit which has audio information associated with a first recording method and a second type of second division unit which has audio information associated with a second recording method, and the first type of second

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division unit and the second type of second division unit include the same content, and the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit are each contiguously recorded on the information record medium, wherein the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit are recorded at different positions on the audio information recording area,

the apparatus comprising:

a reading device which reads record information from the record medium;

a reproduction device which reproduces the audio information; and

a controller which controls the reading device and the reproduction device.

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Claim 44 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction apparatus according to Claim 43 wherein the controller selects a recording method to be reproduced, and controls the reproduction device to reproduce one of the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit based on the selected recording method.

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Claim 45 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction apparatus according to Claim 43, further comprising:

an input device which inputs a reproduction condition,

wherein the controller controls the reproduction device based on the reproduction condition.

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Claim 46 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction apparatus according to Claim 45, wherein the reproduction condition indicates a recording method to be reproduced.

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Claim 47 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction apparatus according to Claim 43, wherein the management information is provided for each of the second division units.

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Claim 48 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction apparatus according to Claim 43, wherein the management information includes information which indicates a combination of recording methods.

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Claim 49 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction apparatus according to Claim 43, wherein the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit have equal reproduction times.

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Claim 50 (Currently Amended): An information reproduction method of reproducing an information record medium comprising: an audio information recording area on which a plurality of audio information are recorded; and a control information recording area on which control information to reproduce the audio information is recorded, wherein the control information includes first division information for identifying a first division unit, second division information for identifying a plurality of second division units by dividing a plurality of audio information as a reproduction unit, and management information for correlating the first division unit and the plurality of second division units with each other so that the plurality of second division units are associated with the first division unit, wherein the plurality of second division units comprise at least a first type of second division unit which has audio information associated with a first recording method and a second type of second division unit which has audio

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information associated with a second recording method, and the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit include the same content, and the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit are each contiguously recorded on the information record medium, wherein the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit are recorded at different positions on the audio information recording area,

the method comprising the processes of:

reading record information from the record medium;

reproducing the audio information; and

controlling the process of reading and the process of reproducing.

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Claim 51 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction method according to Claim 50, wherein the process of controlling selects a recording method to be reproduced, and controls the process of reproducing to reproduce one of the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division unit based on the selected recording method.

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Claim 52 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction method according to Claim 50, further comprising the processes of:

inputting a reproduction condition,

wherein the process of controlling controls the process of reproducing based on the reproduction condition.

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Claim 53 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction method according to Claim 52, wherein the reproduction condition indicates a recording method to be reproduced.

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Claim 54 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction method according to
Claim 50, wherein the management information is provided for each of the second division units.

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Claim 55 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction method according to
Claim 50, wherein the management information includes information which indicates a
combination of recording methods.

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Claim 56 (Previously Presented): An information reproduction method according to
Claim 50, wherein the first type of second division unit and the second type of second division
unit have equal reproduction times.
